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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

#### **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

#### **Opposer Information**

Name	ClearOne
Granted to Date of previous extension	05/03/2014
Address	5225 Wiley Post Way, Suite 500 Salt Lake City, UT 84116 UNITED STATES

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### **Applicant Information**

Application No	85901105	Publication date	03/04/2014
Opposition Filing Date	05/02/2014	Opposition Peri- od Ends	05/03/2014
Applicant	Veridient, LLC 27 Pemberton Lane East Windsor, NJ 08520 UNITED STATES		

## Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 009. First Use: 2013/03/16 First Use In Commerce: 2013/03/16

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Computer application software for mobile phones, laptops and desktops, namely, software for transferring, transforming, distributing, and sharing data, documents, files, information, text, photos, images, graphics, music, audio, video, andmultimedia content with other connectedagents via networks, mobile devices, and other communications channels; Computer software and hardware for enabling real-time communication, collaboration, management and distribution of multimedia content, integration with web portals, distributed data and content management, document transformation, and content distribution; Computer software for the collection, editing, organizing, modifying, book marking, transmission, storage and sharing of data and information; Computer software for use in the encryption anddecryption of digital files, including audio, video, text, binary, still images, graphics and multimedia files; Computer software that provides real-time, integrated business management intelligence by combining information from various databases and presenting it in an easy-to-understand user interface; Downloadable cloud computer software for use by a team to share and edit content; Downloadable computer software for use by a team to share and edit content; Enterprise software in the nature of a database for non-transactional data and a search engine for database content; Web site development software

Class 042. First Use: 2013/03/16 First Use In Commerce: 2013/03/16

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Providing on-line non-downloadable software for online real-time communication for work group collaboration

# Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
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# Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	3333223	Application Date	08/08/2006		
Registration Date	11/13/2007	Foreign Priority Date	NONE		
Word Mark	CHAT				
Design Mark	CHAT				
Description of Mark	NONE				
Goods/Services	Class 009. First use: First Use: 2006/04/07 First Use In Commerce: 2006/04/07				
	Electronic hardware accessories, namelyspeakers, speakerphones and micro- phonesand software that add two way audio conferencing capability to multiple devices				

U.S. Registration No.	4276948	Application Date	11/10/2011
Registration Date	01/15/2013	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	CHAT		
Design Mark	C]	HΑ	
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 009. First use: First Us headsets for use with telepho		lse In Commerce: 2012/01/09

U.S. Registration No.	4099658	Application Date	04/27/2010
Registration Date	02/14/2012	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	CHATATTACH		

Design Mark	CHATATTACH
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 009. First use: First Use: 2010/09/17 First Use In Commerce: 2010/09/17 Electronic hardware accessories, namely, speakers, speakerphones and microphones, cables, firmware and software that add two way audio conferencing capability to multiple devices

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

Signature	/Julie L. O'Tyson/	
Name	Julie L. O'Tyson	
Date	05/02/2014	

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ClearOne, Inc.,	Opposition No.:
Opposer,	) Serial No.: 85/901105
v.	) Mark: CHATPOINT
Veridient , LLC, DBA Thinktastic Software, LLC,	) ) )
Applicant.	,

#### **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

Commissioner of Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

Dear Sir or Madam:

ClearOne, Inc., a Utah corporation, located and doing business at 5225 Wiley Post Way #500, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 ("Opposer"), believes that it will be damaged by registration of U.S. Trademark Application Serial No. 85/901105 ("Application") for the word mark CHATPPOINT, filed by Veridient, LLC, doing business as Thinktastic Software, LLC, located and doing business at 27 Pemberton Lane, East Windsor, NJ 08520 ("Applicant"), and therefore opposes the same.

As grounds for Opposition, it is alleged:

1. By the Application, filed under Section 1(a) on April 12, 2013, Applicant seeks to obtain registration in International Class 009 on the Principal Register of the trademark CHATPOINT for:

Computer application software for mobile phones, laptops and desktops, namely, software for transferring, transforming, distributing, and sharing data, documents, files, information, text, photos, images, graphics, music, audio, video, and

multimedia content with other connected agents via networks, mobile devices, and other communications channels; Computer software and hardware for enabling real-time communication, collaboration, management and distribution of multimedia content, integration with web portals, distributed data and content management, document transformation, and content distribution; Computer software for the collection, editing, organizing, modifying, book marking, transmission, storage and sharing of data and information; Computer software for use in the encryption and decryption of digital files, including audio, video, text, binary, still images, graphics and multimedia files; Computer software that provides real-time, integrated business management intelligence by combining information from various databases and presenting it in an easy-to-understand user interface; Downloadable cloud computer software for use by a team to share and edit content; Downloadable computer software for use by a team to share and edit content; Enterprise software in the nature of a database for non-transactional data and a search engine for database content; Web site development software.

- 2. Applicant also By seeks to obtain registration in International Class 042 on the Principal Register of the trademark CHATPOINT for: Providing on-line non-downloadable software for online real-time communication for work group collaboration.
- 3. ClearOne is the owner of the following registrations issued by the United States
  Patent and Trademark Office, as well as all of the business and goodwill represented thereby:

Mark	Serial No.	Reg. No.	Date of Reg.	Goods
СНАТ	76/664333	3,333,223	11/13/2007	ELECTRONIC HARDWARE ACCESSORIES, NAMELY SPEAKERS, SPEAKERPHONES ANDMICROPHONES AND SOFTWARE THAT ADD TWO-WAY AUDIO CONFERENCINGCAPABILITY TO MULTIPLE DEVICES
СНАТ	85/469153	4,276,948	1/15/2013	HEADSETS FOR USE WITH TELEPHONES AND COMPUTERS
СНАТАТТАСН	85/024105	4,099,658	4/27/2010	ELECTRONIC HARDWARE ACCESSORIES, NAMELY, SPEAKERS, SPEAKERPHONES AND MICROPHONES, CABLES, FIRMWIRE AND SOFTWARE THAT ADD TWO WAY AUDIO CONFERENCING CAPABILITIES TO MULTIPLE DEVICES

4. Registration Nos. 3,333,223; 4,276,948; and 4,099,658 (the "CHAT Marks") are valid and subsisting, unrevoked and uncancelled.

- 5. Opposer owns and relies on above registrations, filed under Section 1(a) in International Class 09.
- 6. Since April of 2006, ClearOne has offered a line of personal conferencing equipment under the CHAT brand name; the CHAT and CHATATTACH products lines currently feature over ten products including headsets and portable audio peripherals that can be used with phones or other devices to deliver both audio conferencing and rich audio playback for music sound files, as well as more sophisticated conferencing systems that allow for conferencing in small, medium, or large conference rooms. By virtue of Opposer's long, continuous, exclusive and substantial use, the Opposer's mark has become an identifier of Opposer and its goods and services, and distinguishes Opposer's goods from the goods and services of others.
- 7. Opposer has priority of use by virtue of its common law rights as described above. Opposer relies on its common law trademark rights.
- 8. Applicant seeks an unrestricted federal registration for CHATPOINT covering the goods set forth in the Application in International Classes 009 and 042. Accordingly, if a registration issues for the Application, such registration will constitute *prima facie* evidence of the Applicant's exclusive right to use the registered mark in commerce on or in connection with the listed goods throughout the United States with no limitation thereon.
- 9. Opposer will be damaged by registration of the Application in that the CHATPOINT is highly similar in sound and meaning as Opposer's CHAT and CHATATTACH marks. Accordingly, when used on or in connection with the goods as they are identified in the Application, Applicant's CHATPOINT mark is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake or to deceive within the meaning of Section 2(d) of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d).

Notably, both marks deal in highly related goods and services. This commonality poses a palpable threat to Opposer's CHAT and CHATATTACH marks.

10. In view of Opposer's prior rights in its marks, Applicant is not entitled to federal registration of the CHATPOINT mark pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d).

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that U.S. Trademark Application Serial No. 85/901105 be rejected and stricken, that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant, and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I served a copy of the foregoing **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION** upon Applicant by depositing one copy thereof in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, on May 2, 2014, addressed as follows:

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